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COMMISSIONS INVOLVING THE SHERIFF

1. Sybil Brand Commission for Institutional Inspections

- Created pursuant to Board order and is codified in the County Code.
- Authorized by the Board of Supervisors to examine effective and economical administration, cleanliness, discipline, care, security of inmates and children.
- At least once a year, shall visit and inspect each jail or lockup in the County Probation department and correctional facilities and also advises on industrial and economical programs for inmates.
- Sheriff is an ex officio member.

2. Inmate Welfare Commission

- This Commission acts in an advisory capacity to the Sheriff, it is an informal body not established by ordinance or Board resolution and it oversees Inmate Welfare Fund expenditures.
- The mission of the Commission is to sustain meaningful assistance to the inmate population in the County's jail system by reviewing and making recommendations to the Sheriff for funding for education, recreation, vocational training, counseling and community transition.
- Revenue from the Inmate Welfare Fund is generated through commissary, vending and telephone contracts in the jails.

COMMISSIONS THAT MAY HAVE SHERIFF ISSUES

1. Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs

- This Commission was created pursuant to State law and is codified in the County Code, acts as an advisory body to the Board.
- Makes recommendations to the Board on alcohol and other drug issues with the goal of reducing problems and the negative impact of alcohol and other drug use on the quality of life for County residents.
- Includes the field of enforcement, medication, prevention and rehabilitation, could cross over to Sheriff responsibilities.

2. Commission on Disabilities

- This Commission was created pursuant to Board order and is codified in the County Code, advises the Board on the unique needs of persons with disabilities, including but not limited to: areas of health, employment, education, public attitudes, barriers and recreation.
- Conducts studies and makes recommendations to the Board for improvements to policies, systems and procedures in the area of disabilities, could have cross over to Sheriff operations.

3. Commission on HIV

- This Commission was created by the Board and is codified in the County Code.
- This Commission is authorized to develop a comprehensive plan for the continuum of care and standards of care for the organization and delivery of HIV care, treatment and prevention services, consistent with the Ryan White legislation and Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).
- Establishes priorities and allocations for funding of HIV services.
- Evaluates service and cost effectiveness, timeliness of disbursement of funds regarding the delivery of services.
- Makes recommendations, conducts studies or provides advice to the Board on matters related to HIV/AIDS, could have cross over to Sheriff operations in the jails etc.

4. <u>Emergency Medical Services Commission</u>

- This Commission was created pursuant to State law and Board order and is codified in the County Code.
- The Commission acts in an advisory capacity to the Board and the Director of Health Services regarding County policies, programs and standards for emergency medical care services throughout the County, including paramedic services.
- Arbitrate differences in the field of paramedic services and training between all sectors of the community, including but not limited to other County agencies, etc., could have crossover to Sheriff operations.

5. <u>Mental Health Commission</u>

- This Commission was created pursuant to State law and Board order and is codified in the County Code.
- The Commission reviews and evaluates the community's mental health needs, services, facilities and special problems.
- Also advises the Board and the Mental Health Director as to any aspect of local mental health programs, can have crossover to Sheriff operations, especially at the jails.

• Assess the quality of services provided to the mental health clients and on the local community by the County's mental health system.

6. <u>Probation Commission</u>

- This Commission was created pursuant to State law and Board order.
- The Commission is advisory to the Chief Probation Officer and issues an annual advisory to the Chief Probation Officer regarding the operations of the Probation department.
- The Commission also may inspect juvenile camps and halls in the County to assure compliance with applicable laws and regulations regarding the health, safety, welfare and education of juveniles at these facilities. As a result, can have crossover issues with the Sheriff.